

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) An artificial fingernail package comprising:

a packaging frame for storing a plurality of artificial fingernails of varying width, each of said artificial fingernails having a top surface, a bottom surface, and opposing longitudinal ends, wherein for at least one available width there are at least two artificial fingernails having different arch heights; and

an exterior portion that houses said packaging frame, said exterior portion defining a front and a back of said package, said exterior portion comprising a transparent portion on the front of said package, wherein

said packaging frame comprising a curvature-displaying compartment having at least two different ones of said artificial fingernails and means for retaining said at least two different ones of said artificial fingernails in a position substantially perpendicular to said bottom surface comprising a holding material having slits in which said at least two of said artificial fingernails are respectively received, said means for retaining being ~~arranged~~ configured to hold said artificial fingernails in a position substantially perpendicular to said bottom surface such that one of the longitudinal ends of each of said at least two of said artificial fingernails faces said ~~transparent portion on the front of said package~~, whereby at least one of a c-curve and an arch height of each of said at least two different ones of said artificial fingernails is observable outside of said package through said transparent portion on the front of said package of said exterior portion.

2. (Canceled)

3. (Previously Presented) The artificial fingernail package of claim 14 wherein means for retaining comprises a holding material having slits in which said at least two of said artificial fingernails are respectively received.

4. (Original) The artificial fingernail package of claim 1 wherein said packaging frame comprises at least one primary compartment for loosely storing a plurality of artificial fingernails.

5. (Previously Presented) The artificial fingernail package of claim 1 wherein said packaging frame comprises a further display compartment containing at least one of said artificial fingernails, wherein the top surface of said at least one of said artificial fingernails in said further display compartment is observable outside of said package through said transparent portion of said exterior portion.

6. (Original) The artificial fingernail package of claim 1 wherein said packaging frame comprises an adhesive compartment that contains a container of adhesive for applying at least one of said plurality of artificial fingernails.

7. (Original) The artificial fingernail package of claim 6 wherein said packaging frame further comprises a pin compartment that contains a push pin capable of piercing a hole in the tip of said container of adhesive.

8. (Original) The artificial fingernail package of claim 1 wherein said packaging frame comprises a stick compartment that contains a manicure stick.

9. (Original) The artificial fingernail package of claim 1 wherein said plurality of artificial fingernails are molded from plastic.

10. (Previously Presented) The artificial fingernail package of claim 1 wherein said plurality of artificial fingernails comprises at least one full-cover artificial fingernail.

11. (Previously Presented) The artificial fingernail package of claim 1 wherein said plurality of artificial fingernails comprises at least one nail tip.

12. (Previously Presented) The artificial fingernail package of claim 1 wherein said packaging frame is molded from plastic.

13. (Canceled)

14. (Currently Amended) An artificial fingernail package that contains artificial fingernails of varying widths, each of said artificial fingernails having a top surface, a bottom surface, and opposing longitudinal ends, and a c-curve, said package having a front and rear and a first compartment for displaying at least two of said artificial fingernails having a plurality of different arch heights, said at least two artificial fingernails being arranged substantially perpendicularly to said bottom surface such that one of the opposing longitudinal ends of each of said at least two artificial fingernails faces said front of said package, whereby the c-curve of said at least two of said artificial fingernails is observable from outside said front of said package, and said package having a second compartment with at least one of said artificial

fingernails arranged so that the top surface of said at least one fingernail is observable from outside said front of said package.

15. (Previously Presented) The artificial fingernail package of claim 1 wherein said package contains artificial fingernails having conventional arch height and artificial fingernails having low arch height.

16. (Previously Presented) The artificial fingernail package of claim 1 wherein said package contains artificial fingernails having conventional arch height and artificial fingernails having high arch height.

17. (Previously Presented) The artificial fingernail package of claim 1 wherein said package contains artificial fingernails having conventional arch height, artificial fingernails having low arch height and artificial fingernails having high arch height.

18. (Currently Amended) A method for packaging artificial fingernails comprising the steps of:

providing a plurality of artificial fingernails of varying width in a package, each of said artificial fingernails having a top surface, a bottom surface, and opposing longitudinal ends, and a c-curve, wherein for at least one available width there are at least two artificial fingernails having different arch heights; and

retaining at least two different ones of said plurality of artificial fingernails in a holding material in said package, said holding material having slits in which said at least two of said artificial fingernails are ~~respectively received~~ arranged

substantially perpendicularly to said bottom surface such that one of said longitudinal ends of each of said at least two of said artificial fingernails faces a front of said package, whereby the c-curve of said at least one of said plurality of artificial fingernails is observable from outside of a front of said package through a transparent portion of said package.

19. (Canceled)

20. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 18, further comprising the step of providing at least a further compartment for retaining a remainder of said plurality of artificial fingernails.